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To whom it may concern

The current settlement as written is nothing more than a license to steal.

Where, in this settlement is MS fined? Where are any penalties? Where is the known proven anti-trust behavior stopped?

Nothing. Nothing in this decree address past behavior or future behavior.

XP is not addressed. .NET is not addressed. MSIM is not addressed. IE is not addressed. Nothing. Nothing!

Nothing. Absolutely nothing in this decree addresses the loss of innovation or encourages innovation.

In 1994, we had an OS that used voice to navigate. In 2001, MS releases XP with this feature. It could have been released in 1995 with Win95 if there had been competition. Instead it is touted as a new feature in 2001. Why 6 years later than the first effort? Because no competition. Because the competitor had their hands tied, paying double what everyone else paid for the Win95 product because of their refusal. Where is this product now? Dead. Dead because MS killed it with an 'upgrade' to their product. IBM.

Sun. What is being done about their product being hijacked? Nothing to date. Nothing.

Nothing. That defines this settlement that is not a settlement. Politics. Who pays the most.

We have been ripped off by MS since the bogus messages programming in for DR DOS. We have not been given better choices. We have been "marketed" products in lieu of others that work better because of back room dealings more than technology and programs that work.

The government made this legal in their last "consent decree" which gave MS a license to steal by including items in their "OS" and calling it required.

This company has ruined innovation and put the US back 5-10 years on the computing scene because of it.

Do not let this current decree pass.

MS should:

Release source code for ALL of Windows  
Release source code for protocols  
release source for .NET requirements to fully implent their protocols and  
APIs

Nothing less is nothing less that giving us no choice in the future of  
computing.

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